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## Sen. Birkholz honored by Michigan's Children

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**Lansing** – Sen. Patty Birkholz (R-Saugatuck Twp.) was recognized recently as a Seasoned Advocate by Michigan's Children, a statewide child advocacy organization in Lansing. The award is presented to legislators who have distinguished themselves by their contribution to shaping positive policy for the health, education and welfare of children.

"I am honored to be recognized by a group dedicated to the future and well-being of all the children of Michigan," Birkholz said. "From my experience as a former Head Start teacher and throughout my legislative career, I have had a passion for programs for young children. During my time in the Senate I will remain committed to leading the way for policies that protect the well being of children."

Birkholz, co-chair of the Michigan Legislative Children's Caucus, was honored for being instrumental in securing major programming for young children and their parents. She was honored Tuesday at the fourth annual Much Ado About Something Wonderful event in Lansing.

Michigan's Children works with policymakers, community leaders and individuals to protect and invest in children to ensure that every child has an opportunity to become a healthy and responsible adult.

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